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HIZBALLAH DECLARES JIHAD

SEVERAL HIZBALLAH LEADERS--INCLUDING AN INFLUENTIAL MEMBER OF THE LEADERSHIP COUNCIL--HAVE DECLARED A HOLY WAR AGAINST THE US. THE DAY AFTER THE CEASE-FIRE WAS ANNOUNCED, THE GROUP WARNED THAT THE US PRESENCE IN THE REGION IS NO LONGER JUSTIFIED, AND ONE MEMBER

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CLAIMED THAT NOW 'THE REAL MOTHER OF BATTLES' BETWEEN ISLAM AND THE WEST HAD BEGUN.

COMMENT: SOME HIZBALLAH ELEMENTS PROBABLY WILL PUSH FOR ATTACKS ON US INTERESTS SOON.

3. IN BRIEFS

AFRICA

-- ZIMBABWEAN PRESIDENT MUGABE TEMPORARILY RELINQUISHING DUTIES TO CARE FOR SERIOUSLY ILL WIFE.
... FORMER ARCHRIVAL, VICE PRESIDENT NKOMO, ACTING IN STEAD
... INDICATES NKOMO DIMINISHED THREAT.

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